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TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Re:

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/811,098 filed 03/25/04

Applicant: Richard Watson

Title: LIQUID APPLICATION SYSTEM

Group Art Unit: 3751

Attorney Docket No. 21742.NP

Sir/Madam:

Transmitted herewith for filing and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97 is an Information Disclosure Statement. Enclosed also are the following designated documents, as required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98:

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	Legible copies of the listed references or their relevant portions.
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	All English translations of each non-English reference, if any, within the possession custody, control or availability of anyone designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) (see 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(c)).

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Please find, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(1), the enclosed Form PTO-1449 which contains a list of all patents, publications, or other items that have come to the attention of one or more of the individuals designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c). Applicant respectfully submits that this Information Disclosure Statement is filed pursuant to:

M 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 (b)(1) or (3), within three months of the filing date of the application, or before a first office action on the merits, whichever occurs last;

37 C.F.R. § 1.97 (c), after a first office action on the merits, but before a Final Office Action or a Notice of Allowance, whichever occurs first, and is accompanied by either 1) a statement in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e), or 2) the fee set forth in§1.17(p); or

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While no representation is made that any of these references may be "prior art" within the meaning of that term in accordance with 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 or 103, the enclosed list of references is disclosed so as to comply with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

Moreover, while no representation is made that a specific search of office files or patent office records has been conducted or that no better art exists, the undersigned attorney of record believes that the references listed, together with any other references which may have been previously submitted or listed, are the closest to the claimed invention (taken in its entirety) of which the undersigned is presently aware, and no art which is closer to the claimed invention (taken in its entirety) has been knowingly withheld.

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A legible copy of each listed U.S. Patent or publication (or relevant portion thereof)
which was not previously submitted to, or cited by, the Patent Office is enclosed pursuant to 37
C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.
A legible copy of each of the listed non-patent literature and foreign documents or
their relevant portions is enclosed.
Copies of cited U.S. patents and/or publications are NOT enclosed pursuant to the
Official Gazette Notice, dated Aug. 5, 2003, waiving the requirement of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(i).
Copies of the references listed in the accompanying Form PTO-1449 are NOT
enclosed because, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), they were previously cited by or submitted to the
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35 U.S.C. § 120.

For all listed references that are not either in the English language, or accompanied by a translation into English, a concise explanation of relevance as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) is enclosed attached to each.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-0100.

Dated this 2 day of May, 2005.

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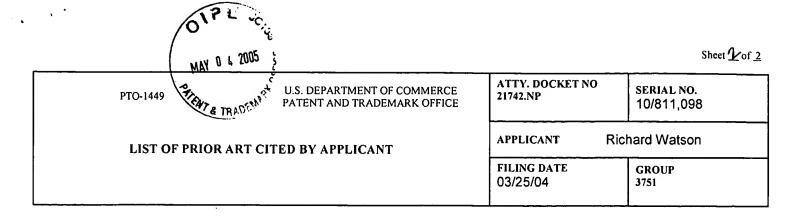
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